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### Mexico

### **FAIRS Product Specific**

## Canned Pineapple from Thailand Now Needs an

### **Import Permit**

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### **Report Highlights:**

On June 15, 2000, Mexico announced it will begin requiring import permits for fresh and canned pineapple from Thailand and several other countries.

**Introduction:** This report summarizes a modification to the Agreement that establishes the classification of merchandise that is subject to import/export permits, published by the Secretariat of Commerce and Industrial Development (SECOFI) in Mexico's "*Diario Oficial*" (Federal Register) on June 15, 2000.

**Disclaimer:** This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests. In the event of a discrepancy or discrepancies between this summary and the complete regulation or announcement as published in Spanish, the latter shall prevail.

**FAS/Mexico's Executive Summary:** The modification to this agreement includes fresh pineapples (HTS# 0804.30.01) and canned pineapple (HTS# 2008.20.01) to article 10 of the agreement. This article indicates that the products listed need to have an import permit from SECOFI when they originate from Hong Kong, Malaysia, Macao, Thailand, Republic of Korea, Philippines Indonesia, Pakistan, India, China, Democratic Republic of Korea, Sri Lanka, Vietnam and Taiwan.

**Background:** FAS reported last May that Mexican pineapple growers and packers from Oaxaca, demanded SECOFI to stop imports of processed canned pineapple from Thailand, because prices were said to be 18 percent lower than Mexico's (CIF basis). (See report MX0077)

**Title:** Agreement that classifies merchandise that is subject to import permit requirements.

**Type of Regulation:** Agreement

**Important Dates** 

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**Products Affected:** Fresh and Processed Pineapple

**Agency in Charge:** Secretariat of Commerce and Industrial Development

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